SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1137 By Cooper

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Christian Crouch, 2004 Valedictorian of Franklin County High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Christian Crouch is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2004 graduating class at Franklin County High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Mr. Crouch has achieved outstanding academic success, and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in his remarkable high school career, Mr. Crouch has earned an exemplary 4.0 grade point average; and

WHEREAS, his exhibition of academic excellence has earned Christian numerous accolades, including recognition as the National Merit Scholarship Corporation Commended Student, receipt of the Sewanee Scholastic Achievement Award, selection as a Boys' State Delegate, inclusion in the *Who's Who Among American High School Students*, and he was chosen by his classmates as "Most Studious"; and

WHEREAS, an active and important part of his school, Christian has served as an English tutor in a Hispanic Language Class and has held membership in numerous laudable organizations such as Young Life, the International Club, the Beta Club, the National Honor Society, and the Student Council; and

WHEREAS, a gifted musician, Christian has been an integral part of his school's Marching Band, the Jazz Band, and the Dixieland Band; and

WHEREAS, a devout Christian, Mr. Crouch is a member of Winchester First Baptist Church where he is active in the Joshua Ministries; and

WHEREAS, knowing the value of higher education, Mr. Crouch plans to attend the University of the South, from which he has received the Franklin County High School Scholarship; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Crouch's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for his future success; and

WHEREAS, Christian's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his mother, Teresa Crouch, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, Christian Crouch's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor 2004 Franklin County High School Valedictorian, Christian Crouch, on his impressive academic achievement, and extend to him our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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